

# NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT

## Marathon Transformer Station Expansion

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) has completed a draft Environmental Study Report (ESR) to expand the existing Marathon Transformer Station (TS), located at 217 Peninsula Road in the Town of Marathon. This undertaking is required to connect the proposed new East-West Tie transmission line to the station.

To accommodate the new line, the existing Marathon TS would have to be expanded by approximately five hectares onto adjacent Crown land as shown on the map. Hydro One will seek to acquire the land from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF).

In addition, the access trail to Shack Lake would have to be relocated to accommodate the proposed station expansion. Hydro One has consulted with the MNRF, Town of Marathon and local groups to determine an alternative location for a new access trail off of Peninsula Road as shown on the map. The relocated access trail would be built prior to the station work commencing, ensuring continual access to Shack Lake.

The proposed project is subject to the Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for Minor Transmission Facilities, an approved planning process under the *Environmental Assessment Act*. The proposed project is also subject to the requirements set out in the MNRF's Class EA for Resource Stewardship and Development Projects. Subject to the outcome of the Class EA, construction could begin as early as mid-2018.

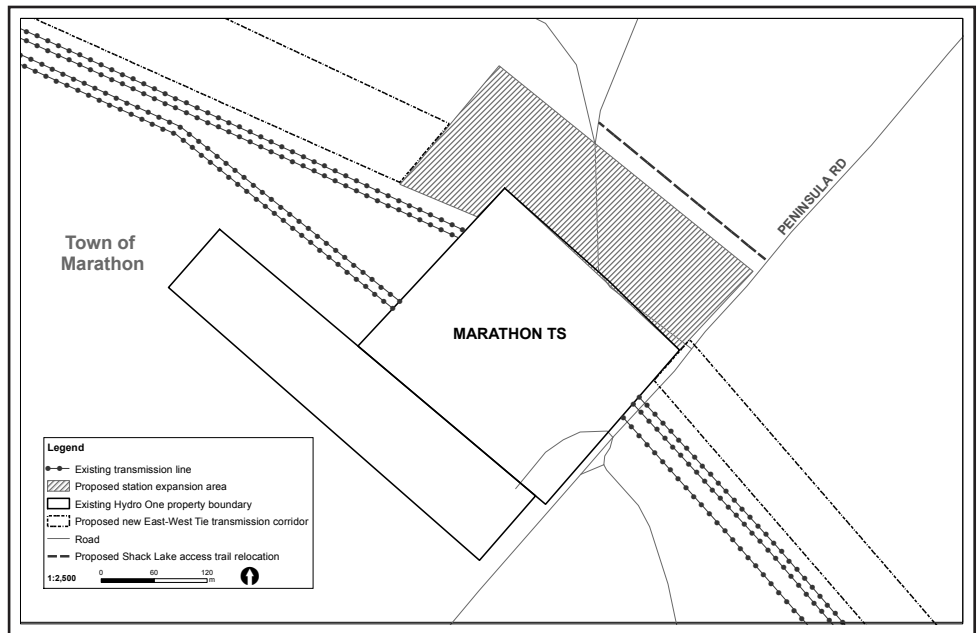
### HOW TO PROVIDE YOUR INPUT

In accordance with the Class EA process, Hydro One is providing notice of its intent to proceed with the proposed Project. The draft ESR will be available for a 30-day public review and comment period from March 9, 2018 to April 9, 2018. The draft ESR can be viewed at [www.HydroOne.com/Projects/MarathonTS](http://www.HydroOne.com/Projects/MarathonTS), and a hard copy will be available at the following location:

Town of Marathon Municipal Office  
4 Hemlo Drive, Marathon, ON, P0T 2E0  
(807) 229-1340

Written comments or questions on the draft ESR must be received by Hydro One no later than 4:30 p.m. on April 9, 2018. Please address your correspondence to:

Yu San Ong, Environmental Planner  
483 Bay Street, North Tower, 12th Floor  
Toronto ON, M5G 2P5  
Email: [Community.Relations@HydroOne.com](mailto:Community.Relations@HydroOne.com)



Hydro One will respond to and make best efforts to resolve any issues raised during the review period. If no issues are raised during the review period, Hydro One will finalize the ESR and file it with the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC). The project will be considered acceptable and may proceed as outlined in the ESR.

The *Environmental Assessment Act* has provisions for interested parties to ask for a higher level of assessment for a Class EA project if they feel that outstanding issues have not been adequately addressed by Hydro One. This higher level of assessment is referred to as a Part II Order request and must be addressed in writing to the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change and the Director of the Environmental Approvals Branch. Part II Order requests must be received by 4:30 p.m. on April 9, 2018 at these addresses:

Minister of the Environment and Climate Change  
77 Wellesley Street West, 11th Floor, Ferguson Block  
Toronto, ON, M7A 2T5  
Email: [Minister.MOECC@ontario.ca](mailto:Minister.MOECC@ontario.ca)

Director, Environmental Assessment and Permissions Branch,  
MOECC  
135 St. Clair West, 1st Floor, Toronto, ON, M4V 1P5  
Email: [MOECCpermissions@ontario.ca](mailto:MOECCpermissions@ontario.ca)

Please note that a duplicate copy of a Part II Order request must also be sent to Hydro One at the address noted.

For more information please call 1-877-345-6799 or visit [www.HydroOne.com/Projects/MarathonTS](http://www.HydroOne.com/Projects/MarathonTS).

